

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

On Page 12 of the specification, the paragraph starting at line 24 thereat and ending at Page 13, line 7, please amend the paragraph as follows:

In addition, if the file stretching occurs in a writing state shown in Figure 5 (A), firstly, the identifier MPEG_FILE_END is additionally written into the “tag” column, and the time information end_time1 indicating a time at which the file stretching occurs is written into the “ending time” column as shown in Figure 5 (D) ~~6 (D)~~. Next, 24 bytes of the succeeding managing data is noticed, and the identifier MPEG_FILE_START, time information start_time2 indicating a writing starting time into the succeeding MPEG file, a file number fnum2 indicating the succeeding MPEG file, the MPEG off-set mofst2 (=0), and the INDEX off-set iofst2 (=0), are written into the columns of “tag”, “starting time”, “file number”, “MPEG off-set”, and “INDEX off-set”.

On Page 14 of the specification, the paragraph starting at line 6 thereat, please amend the paragraph as follows:

In a step S19 ~~S17~~, the HDD 26 is instructed to start the temporary recording from the detected recording suspending location, and the HDD 26 is instructed to start the live reproduction in a step S21 ~~S19~~. This allows the video and the sound or voices, to which the temporary recording is applied, to be output at the almost same time as the recording.

On Page 18 of the specification, the paragraph starting at line 23 thereat and ending at Page 19, line 1, please amend the paragraph as follows:

In a step S111, the HDD 26 is instructed to additionally write into the managing file the identifier REC_END and the recording ending time end_time, and the HDD 26 is instructed to close the MPEG file, the INDEX file, and the managing file in a step S113. Then, the process returns to the step S91 ~~S81~~.

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On Page 19 of the specification, the paragraph starting at line 19 thereat, please amend the paragraph as follows:

If YES in the step S137, the succeeding MPEG file is opened in a step S141. In a step S143, the HDD 26 is instructed to start reproducing from the head of the opened MPEG file, and in a succeeding step S145, the HDD 26 is instructed to close the reproduced MPEG file. Upon completion of a closing process, the process returns to the step S137. If YES in the step S147, the HDD 26 is instructed to suspend the reproduction in a step S149, and the HDD 26 is instructed to close the MPEG file in a step S151. Then, the process returns to the step S131 S121.